

REMARKS:

The Applicant respectfully submits that the Restriction Requirement alleges that Claims 1-10 and 31-32 are, drawn to “a computer system for displaying information” and form the basis of Group I. (12 December 2007 Restriction Requirement, Page 2). The Applicant further respectfully submits that the Restriction Requirement alleges that Claims 11-30 are, drawn to a “method and software for displaying strikes between bids and asks in a market over time” and form the basis of Group II. (12 December 2007 Restriction Requirement, Page 2).

The Applicant respectfully disagrees with the Examiners allegations. In particular, the Applicant respectfully submits that Claims 1-10 are drawn to a “system for displaying strikes between bids and asks in a market over time, each strike specifying values for a plurality of strike variables”, Claims 11-20 are drawn to a “method for displaying strikes between bids and asks in a market over time, each strike specifying values for a plurality of strike variables”, Claims 21-30 are drawn to a “software for displaying strikes between bids and asks in a market over time, each strike specifying values for a plurality of strike variables”, Claim 31 is drawn to a “system for displaying strikes between bids and asks in a market over time, each strike specifying values for a plurality of strike variables”, and Claim 32 is drawn to a “system for displaying strikes between bids and asks in a market over time, each strike specifying values for a plurality of strike variables, the strike variables comprising strike price, strike quantity, and at least one additional strike variable”. (12 December 2007 Restriction Requirement, Page 2).

The Applicant hereby elects Group II including Claims 11-30 (which are directed to a single species), which are further directed to a “method and software for displaying strikes between bids and asks in a market over time”, with traverse, in accordance with the applicable Rules of Practice and to advance the prosecution of the subject Application.

The Applicant respectfully submits that Restriction Requirement is improper. Accordingly, in traverse, Applicant requests withdrawal of the Restriction Requirement.

Because, the Applicant has elected an alleged Group and set forth the claims directed to that Group, as set forth by the Examiner, this response is complete. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned, Steven J. Laureanti, at (480) 830-2700 with any questions, comments, or suggestions relating to the subject Application.

CONCLUSION:

In view of the foregoing election and remarks, this application is considered to be in condition for allowance, and early reconsideration and a Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited.

Although the Applicant believes no fees are deemed to be necessary; the undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayments, to **Deposit Account No. 500777**. If an extension of time is necessary for allowing this Response to be timely filed, this document is to be construed as also constituting a Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to the extent necessary. Any fee required for such Petition for Extension of Time should be charged to **Deposit Account No. 500777**.

Please link this application to Customer No. 53184 so that its status may be checked via the PAIR System.

Respectfully submitted,

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